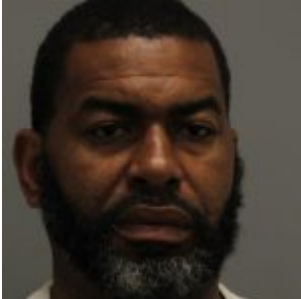


State Police Conduct Drug Investigation – Milford



Carl W. Watson 3rd, 46 of Milford



Dion Russ, 26 of Milford

Milford – The Delaware State Police Kent County Drug Unit conclude a two month long investigation into illegal drug sales from residences in Milford.

On Thursday, October 5, 2017, members of the Kent County Drug Unit, with the assistance of the Kent and Sussex County Governor's Task Force and the Delaware State Police Special Operations Response Team executed search warrants in the 200 block and 400 block of North Street, Milford. The Milford and the Dover Police Departments also executed search warrants in the 400 block of North Street and the 100 block of Allen Way within the city limits of Milford.

DSP SORT members contacted Carl W. Watson, 46 of Milford and Dion Russ, 26 of Milford; both were taken into custody without incident. A search of the residence in the 200 block of North Street resulted in the recovery of 1.20 grams of crack cocaine where Watson's three juvenile children were present.

DSP SORT members contacted Dana Legrand, 31 of Milford. He was taken into custody without incident during the execution of the search warrant in the 400 block of North Street. Subjects identified as Cassandra Hurd, 26 of Milford and James Hutchinson, 27 of Milford were also taken into custody after being discovered to be local fugitives and having active capiases out of Kent County and Sussex County Court of Common Pleas. A search of the residence resulted in no illicit narcotics being recovered at the time the search warrant was executed. Legrand was then released from custody and not criminally charged. Hurd and Hutchinson were transported to the Kent County Court of Common Pleas and released upon clearing their capiases.

The following subjects were transported to DSP Troop 3 and charged:

Carl W. Watson was charged with Possession with the Intent to Deliver Crack Cocaine, Conspiracy 2nd Degree, and three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child relating to the execution of the narcotics search warrant in the 200 block of North Street. Watson was additionally charged with five counts of Delivery of Crack Cocaine and two counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia for an active arrest warrant stemming from a Troop 3 drug related investigation. Watson was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 where he was committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center in default of \$65,600.00 secured bond. He was also issued a no contact order with his three juvenile children.

Dion Russ, 26 of Milford was charged with Possession with the Intent to Deliver Crack Cocaine, Conspiracy 2nd Degree, and three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child relating to the execution of the narcotics search warrant in the 200 block of North Street. Russ was additionally charged with Delivery of Crack Cocaine for an active arrest warrant that was already on file out of DSP Troop 3 relating to this investigation and Failing to Re-register as a Sex Offender for an active arrest

warrant that was already on file out of the Milford Police Department. Russ was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and was committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center in default of \$42,400 secured bond. He was also issued a no contact order with the three juvenile children of the North Street residence.

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